

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of  
Soichiro KATO, et al.

Docket No: Q80388

Appln. No.: 10/797,109

Group Art Unit: 3682

Confirmation No.: 3007

Examiner: William C. JOYCE

Filed: March 11, 2004

For: LINEAR GUIDE APPARATUS

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement, dated July 5, 2007, Applicants elect Species I, Figs. 1-5, for examination on the merits. Claims 1-3 are readable on the elected Species.

Applicant submits that if any of the elected claims is found to be allowable, claims dependent therefrom should similarly be considered allowable in the same application.

Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected claims 4-24.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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